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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

Office of the Director

IC 74-2041

12 SEP 1974

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Secretary of Defense (Intelligence)

SUBJECT: Meeting of I&W Review Group

1. Thank you for your memorandum of 12 August concerning the impending meeting of your I&W Review group. I will not be able to attend but, with your permission, will send two officers on my staff - [redacted] - who have attended previous sessions.

2. Specifically concerning item b. on your agenda (I&W system support to non-nuclear crisis management), I should note that I retain my predecessor's active interest in the warning problem. Indeed, as you know, this staff has been asked by the DCI and USIB to recommend ways to make the Watch Committee machinery more effective and more responsive to national needs. Accordingly, a USIB working committee will soon convene, under IC Staff chairmanship, to consider proposals for improving the community's warning capabilities. We will keep you informed of our progress.

[redacted]  
Samuel V. Wilson  
Major General, USA  
Deputy to the DCI for the  
Intelligence Community

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10 September 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Wilson

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SUBJECT: ASD(I) Indications and Warning Review

1. In a memorandum to the D/DCI/IC of 12 August 1974 (attached), the ASD(I) proposed that his Indications and Warning Functional Review group reconvene in his office on 16 September. I propose that you nominate [REDACTED] of this Division to attend this meeting. I would not recommend that you attend.

2. The history of this ASD(I) group and of the IC Staff's relationship with it is somewhat irregular and confused. General Graham reluctantly participated in one or two meetings, and both [REDACTED] [REDACTED] have attended several (see attached memorandum from [REDACTED] concerning the most recent meeting). Hall seems to be trying to move in on the functions of both the J-3 (which had initial action on NSDM 242) and USIB (which is responsible for intelligence warning and, currently, through the IC Staff, for revamping the Watch Committee machinery). While anxious to remain aware of just what Hall's group is doing, we wish at the same time to keep our distance (and so, incidentally, does CIA). Certainly we do not wish to imply that the IC Staff sanctions any effort by ASD(I) to gain control of the USIB watch function.

3. As you know, the whole warning, watch, NSDM 242, and crisis management problem is terribly complex and more than slightly controversial. As of this moment there are more projects and proposals and players concerned with the problem than I would like to count. We are, however, preparing for Mr. Kissinger some sort of description of what the intelligence community is trying to do to improve our warning posture, and a draft of this paper will be available to you soon. In the interim, I simply urge, as indicated above, that we stay in touch with ASD(I) but that we not bless ASD(I)'s enterprise with your presence.

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25X1 4. If you concur, the attached reply to Hall is offered for your signature. Alternatively, if you do not wish to respond in writing, I would suggest that [ ] could handle this matter with Mr. Henderson (of Hall's office) by phone.

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Chief, PRD/IC

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Attachments

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